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Per our discussion, attached is a proposed amendment to Claim 10. I look forward to discussing the application with you tomorrow.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT - PLEASE DO NOT ENTER

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Proposed amendments to Claim 10:

10. (Currently Amended) A method for closing a blood vessel wound, comprising:
- locating the wound;
 - positioning ~~a surgical implement~~ an elongate catheter so that a portion of the ~~implement~~ catheter extends through the wound and a portion extends out of the wound, and so that the ~~surgical implement~~ catheter substantially plugs the wound;
 - providing a hemostatic material;
 - positioning the hemostatic material substantially circumferentially around ~~about~~ an outer surface of the ~~implement~~ catheter; and
 - advancing the hemostatic material distally over the ~~surgical implement~~ catheter so that the hemostatic material engages an outer wall of the blood vessel adjacent the wound.

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